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EASY-TO-MANUFACTURE LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE WITH LIGHT SHIELDING FRAME LAYER (AS AMENDED)

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a Request for Reconsideration for this application.

STATUS

2.	Applicant	is

a small entity. A statement:

is attached. [] was already filed.

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Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment ufter expiration of the shortened statutory period.

If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. Section 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings, and 37 C.F.R. Section 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a) [] Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

[] [x] []	Extension (months) one month two months three months four months	Fec for other than small entity \$ 110.00 \$ 410.00 \$ 930.00 \$ 1,450.00	Fee for small entity \$ 55.00 \$ 205.00 \$ 465.00 \$ 720.00
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Fee: \$410.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

[]	An extension for months has already been secured. The fee paid there \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extended.	for of ension now
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Extension fee due with this request \$410.00

OR

(b) [] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below

(Col.1)	(Col. 2)	SMALL ENTITY				OTHER THAN A SMALL	
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Independe	ent Claims			•			·
			\$42.00	\$		\$84.00	\$
First Presentation of	Multiple Dependent	Claim+	\$140.00	\$		\$280.00	\$
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^{*} If the entry in Col. I is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "O" in Col. 3,

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"After final rejection or action (Section 1.113) amendments may be made canceling claims or complying with any requirement of form which has been made." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.116(a) (emphasis added).

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(c) [X] No additional fee for claims is required.

OR

(d) [] Total additional fee for claims required \$

FEE PAYMENT

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FEE DEFICIENCY

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6. [X] If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. __04-1105.

AND/OR

[X] If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. _____04-1105.

Date: Scptember 2, 2003

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